

STATE OF NEVADA

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION Web Posting 07/19/12

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 445B, the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445B, and the Clean Air Act, the Division of Environmental Protection is issuing the following Notice of Proposed Action.

The Director received an application for revision of Class I Operating Permit-to-Construct (OPTC) AP1041-2806 (FIN A0394) from the following applicant:

Round Mountain Gold Corporation (RMGC) 1 Smoky Valley Mine Road P.O. Box 480 Round Mountain, Nevada 89045

RMGC's Smoky Valley Common Operation (SVCO) is located in Nye County, Nevada, approximately 45 miles north of Tonopah on State Route 376. The project is located in portions of the following areas: Sections 1-3 and 10-15, T9N, R43E; Section 6, T9N, R44E; Sections 11-14, 23-26, and 34-36, T10N, R43E; Sections 4-8, 17-20, and 29-31, T10N, R44E; Sections 25 and 36, T11N, R43E; and Sections 28-33, T11N, R44E (MDB&M). The Director has prepared a tentative determination regarding the revised OPTC that, in brief, includes the following:

 Revisions requested by the applicant include reconfiguration of some material-handling process equipment. The agency also corrected some NSPS citations for several existing diesel generators. The facility-wide potential-to-emit (PTE) for particulate matter decreased as a result of the changes to the material-handling equipment.

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS, the NAC and the Clean Air Act, the Director is hereby announcing his intent to issue the revised Class I OPTC based on a review of the information submitted. A copy of the draft permit will be available for public inspection at the following location:

Tonopah Public Library 167 S. Central P.O. Box 449 Tonopah, NV 89049 (775) 482-3374 Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed determinations by the Director regarding this proposed action, or to request a hearing pursuant to NRS 445B Air Pollution and NAC 445B Air Controls, should submit their comments or request in writing, either in person or by mail or fax within thirty (30) days to: Pat Mohn, P.E., Nevada Division of Environmental Protection-BAPC; 901 S. Stewart St., Suite 4001, Carson City, NV 89701-5249; (775) 687-9345, (775) 687-6396 (FAX), or pmohn@ndep.nv.gov.

The application, draft permit, any comments received, and other relevant information may be copied at the above address or copies may be obtained by written request to the above address. Written comments or objections will be received at the Division of Environmental Protection, above address, until the close of business on **August 25, 2012**, and will be retained and considered prior to final action on the revised Class I OPTC. Upon a valid written request received prior to the end of the comment period, the Director will schedule a public hearing on the application and proposed action.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know may be interested in this matter.